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**JEANIE'S FORTUNE.**

Upon the western shore of Lake  
Utah stands a neat log cabin, covered  
with honeysuckle and climbing roses.  
Behind it the jagged peaks of the  
Lake Range rear their heads; and yet  
behind them arise the loftier crests of  
the Oquirral Mountains. Before it the  
waters of the lake ripple in the sun-  
shine, or are lashed into foam by the  
tempest.

It is the home of Malcolm Dorne, a  
Scotchman, who, lured by the Mormon  
agents, left his home among the high-  
lands of Scotland and sought a new  
home in the strange land of which he  
had heard so much and knew so  
little.

But polygamy was not to his liking,  
and he left Salt Lake City and built  
that rude log hut upon the shore of  
Lake Utah.

Here he lived frugally and unmo-  
lested. Here little Jeanie grew to  
womanhood—the only and petted dar-  
ling of her parents.

Not a hunter around could track his  
game more surely than she, or kill with a  
surer aim.  
It was an evil day that brought  
Joseph Wilson to ask the shelter  
which no Scotchman would refuse.

What though four wives already  
called him husband? Could he not  
take Jeanie for his fifth dearest—the  
sweetest of them all?

He had long held a mortgage of the  
few acres upon which old Malcolm  
earned his scanty livelihood; what  
more?

He smiled triumphantly as he left  
the house in the morning, and despair-  
ing eyes watched him from sight.

"I dinna ken anither way, lassie,  
less we seek anither hame. And we  
are getting old, fayther an' I. Dinna  
ye ken that, Jeanie?" wailed the  
mother.

"I ken it, mither," answered poor  
Jeanie, in stony despair.

"Hoot, woman! An' where's yer  
love for yer bairnie? You wouldn't  
tak' the fifth part of yon man's love  
yersel'! then why would ye tempt the  
lassie?" exclaimed sturdy Malcolm.

"An'an' there's Malise, fayther.  
Dinna ye ken what Malise Duncan will  
say?" questioned Jeanie, timidly.  
"Say to what, my lass?" asked a  
cheery voice.

And a stalwart young Highlander

entered at the doorway, and looked in  
anxious inquiry at the dismal faces  
before him.

Malise Duncan was a clansman and  
Jeanie's lover.

"Tell him, fayther, for I cannot,"  
sobbed Jeanie.

"An' you dinna thin to marry him?"  
cried Malise, scornfully, when he had  
heard the story from old Malcolm.  
"Dinna ye ken that I can make a home  
for the fayther an' mither, lassie? Ay,  
an protect you against fifty Mormon  
elders, too! He is ower good to give  
three months to decide, when he  
thinks himsel' sure of his answer.  
Cheer up, mon; we can pay the  
mortgage in that time. Cheer up,  
lassie! Joseph Wilson must look  
further for his fifth darling. I canna  
give him mine."

But the three months draw to a  
close, and the mortgage was still  
unpaid.

"I'll try once more to find the cave  
among the mountains," said Malise,  
despairingly. "If we cannot find that,  
we must seek anither hame."

And shouldering his rifle, he started  
toward the hills.

"Dinna ye ken ye must have can-  
dles, Malise?" cried Jeanie, running  
after him and offering him the needful  
articles, with a wistful smile.

The lover took two, gave her a silent  
kiss, and sped on.

It was a common tradition, that of  
this cave among the hills, where golden  
nuggets lay thickly under a roof of  
virgin silver.

"Why canna I try, too?" breathed  
Jeanie, as she watched her lover—not  
quite out of sight, however, for that  
would surely bring bad luck.

And she took up the remaining two  
candles irresolutely.

Then she felt in her pocket for  
matches, wrapped her plaid more  
closely, and snatched her rifle from its  
place.

"I will not be long gone, mither!"  
she cried, looking in at the open  
door.

The day was a perfect one, and as  
Jeanie sped along, the grand beauty  
around her gave her strength and  
courage.

The sun rose to its zenith and then  
slowly sank toward the western hills,  
but still no hidden cave rewarded her  
anxious search.

She sat down in utter despair near  
an over-hanging cliff, whose base was  
fringed with stunted trees and thick  
bushes.

Suddenly a coyote crept cautiously  
from cover, looked around and started  
off with a sharp yelp. He was soon  
followed by his mate, and Jeanie sat  
quietly looking at the spot from  
whence they came.

Then her heart throbbed wildly, and  
she looked eagerly toward the over-  
hanging cliff.

What had she heard of a great hand  
pointing upward? Yes, there it was—  
a rude semblance of a human hand!  
Worn by the wind and tempest, but  
still there, the guardian of a hidden  
treasure?

With her eyes fixed upon the spot  
and her heart beating almost to suf-  
focation, she drew near, parted the  
bushes and beheld a small opening.

Leaning her rifle against the rocky  
wall, she crept cautiously through it.  
What if she had been mistaken?  
What if she had entered the lair of  
some wild beast?

She hastily lighted one of her  
candles and looked around.

The cave which she had entered was  
a small one, and the bones which were  
thickly scattered over the rocky floor  
showed that it was indeed the den of  
the coyotes which had just left it.

But another larger opening told that  
it was but the entrance to an extensive  
cave.

Into this Jeanie went and looked  
around her with wondering eyes.  
Above her head was a leaden-covered  
wall and at her feet were dull yellow  
pebbles. Silver and Gold! She had  
found the cave.

How long she stood there gloating  
over her discovery in amused triumph,  
she never could tell.

She was startled by a ringing foot-  
step, and Joseph Wilson stood before  
her.

"Aha! here you are, my pretty lass!  
How did you discover this cave? But  
it matters not. I was just going out  
to your house to receive my answer. I  
am glad you came to bring it," he said,  
gazing at her in bold admiration.

"—I dinna ken that you were here,"  
she answered, faintly.

"Then it makes the surprise all the  
more pleasant—eh, sweetheart? Come  
with me, and I will show you our won-  
derful Echo Cave. You and I alone  
possess this secret. This chain of  
caves runs through the mountains. I  
discovered it but recently, and I intend  
to mine it soon. So you see that I am  
a rich man, and even the fifth part of  
my wealth would be more than falls to  
the lot of most women. You should  
think yourself fortunate, my Scotch  
lassie! But here we are. Call aloud,  
and see how many times your voice is

returned to you. And here is a  
bottomless pit. Listen!"

He rolled a large fragment of rock  
into the yawning chasm.

Down, down it went, and Jeanie  
shuddered as she heard a faint splash  
from far below the surface.

"It is some underground river, and  
very likely it flows into great Salt  
Lake. I know of two such tributaries.  
Strange, isn't it? Ah you and I alone  
know of this mysterious place. Listen,  
my dear: You and I alone will share  
this wealth when you are bride. You  
shall have every wish gratified. But  
sooner than lose you, I would hurl you  
down that pit to be borne away by  
that mysterious river. Do you con-  
sent?"

But Jeanie only looked at him with  
dilated eyes, and did not answer, while  
the candle flared wildly and cast weird  
shadows around them.

"There, there!" he cried, impatient-  
ly; "why not consent at once and  
without this fuss? for consent you  
shall, my coy lass! Come, come, my  
love—give me a kiss to bind the  
bargain! See! I have brought you  
the mortgage, which you shall destroy  
when you promise to be my wife. One  
sweet kiss now, lassie."

His arm was thrown around her and  
his breath swept her cheek, when, with  
a despairing strength, she tore her-  
self from his embrace with a violent  
push.

Joseph Wilson gave one wild shriek  
of horror, which was echoed and re-  
echoed loudly, as he disappeared from  
sight; and Jeanie listened with hushed  
breath as the splash which told her  
that the underground river had closed  
over its victim.

She lighted the other candle and  
dropped it into the pit.

It banished the dense darkness for a  
second, and its rays were reflected in  
the swift current so far below.

Then, with a cry of horror, she sped  
back to the welcome outside world,  
feeling herself a murderess, although the  
act was not intentional.

When she crept from the outer cave  
the sun was setting, and a short  
distance away stood Malise, with  
folded arms and despairing face.

Jeanie breathlessly told her strange  
story, with his arms around her, and  
when she had finished, he said, vehem-  
ently:

"Canna ye see the hand of God in  
it, lassie? Joseph Wilson has gone  
and has carried the mortgage with  
him, and we alone hold the key to the  
wealth of Echo Cave."

So this is how it happened that the  
troublesome mortgage was never fore-  
closed.

And when the body of Joseph Wil-  
son was found upon the shore of Great  
Salt Lake, everybody wondered, but  
wondered in vain. And his four  
widows sorrowed until a Mormon  
brother, with three wives, offered them  
a fractional part of his heart and hand.

So happiness reigns again in the  
vine covered cabin, and Jeanie sings  
joyously as she prepares for the wed-  
ding which is soon to come, although  
she sometimes shudders as she re-  
members that yawning chasm Echo  
Cave.

**THE OLD WELL SWEEP.**

BY HELEN FORREST GRAVES.

"You ain't goin' to take that well-  
sweep away, Jotham—the well-sweep  
that was there when I was a baby?  
Don't do it, Jotham—don't."

Squire Sedgick beckoned to his son to  
lay down the uplifted axe.

Mrs. Sedgick stood in the doorway,  
with a fat, old-fashioned tumbler and a  
glass-towel in her hand.

Ellen, the daughter, paused in the  
act of tying up an obstreperous young  
honeysuckle shoot; and old Grand-  
sire Sedgick, leaning on his staff, with his  
gray hairs blowing in the fresh spring  
wind, looking not unlike one of the  
ancient Druids.

"Why, father, we didn't know you'd  
care," said the Squire. "It's a rickety  
old thing anyhow—"

"Well, so'm I a rickety old thing!"  
quavered the octogenarian. "But you  
wouldn't go at me with an axe and a  
mallet, would you? I used to draw  
water with that well-sweep afore I  
stood as high as the curb."

"Well, well," soothingly uttered the  
Squire, "if you've any feelin' about it,  
it shan't be touched! Only, since the  
pipes have been laid from the spring  
up on Savin Hill, Eunice, she thought

"I don't keer what Eunice thinks!"  
said Grand-ire Sedgick. "The pipes  
from Savin Spring ain't nothin' to me.  
I'd rather hev a glass o' clear water  
from the old well than all the springs  
in creation!"

"So you shall, father—so you shall!"  
said Mrs. Sedgick, picking up the  
knotted cane which the old man had  
dropped, and tenderly guiding his foot-  
steps back to the cushioned chair on  
the porch, which he had just left.

But Ellen tossed her much be-crimp-  
ed head.

"It's the only well-sweep left in  
Kendal," muttered she. "Horrid old-  
fashioned thing! Everybody calls  
our home 'the place with the well-  
sweep.' It's too bad!"

"Hush, dear!" said Mrs. Sedgick.  
"Grand-ire's a very old man, and he's  
never got over the shock of Dora's  
running away."

Deaf though he was, the old man's  
ear caught a word here and there,  
when it was least expected that he  
would. He looked quickly around.

"Dora," he repeated—"little Dora.  
My son Adam's daughter, with the  
black eyes and the real Sedgick  
features! There ain't but a few things  
that I care for left in this world, and  
Dora was one o' 'em. What have you  
done with Adam's orphan gal—eh,  
Eunice? The gal that hadn't no one  
but me to look after her?"

A distressed look crept over Mrs.  
Sedgick's kindly face. She hesitated  
visibly.

"It wasn't our fault, fater," said  
she. "Dora was always a restless  
child, and she somehow couldn't seem  
to be contented in this quiet place."

The old man shook his leonine white-  
head.

"I dunno nothin' about that," said  
he. "All I know is I miss little Dora,  
and I want her. Jotham," turning  
abruptly to his stalwart son, "where's  
Dora?"

"I don't know any more than you  
do, fater," said the Squire, leaning up  
against the porch pillar, and saying to  
his wife in a lower tone:

"What has set him off thinkin' of  
Dora just now?"

"Thinkin'! Ain't I always thinkin'  
of her?" piped up the old man.  
"Adam's gal, that was left to us to  
take care of; and Adam was always  
the best of the family! You nagged  
her, and you worried of her, and she  
was too high spirited to stand it, and  
now she's gone, an' you say you don't  
know nothin' about it. Eh?"—and his  
voice grew thriller—"that was what  
Cain said, mind you, when the Lord  
asked him where his brother was?"

That's why I set here on the porch,  
where I can see half a mile down the  
road, to get a sight of Adam's gal,  
Dora, comin' back where she belongs!"

The three lookers-on glanced un-  
easily at each other.

Martin Sedgick, the son, flung his  
axe emphatically on the ground.

"Grand-ire speaks the truth," said  
he. "The house ain't itself since Dora  
went away."

And he stalked gloomily down the  
hill, to where his handsome four-year-  
old colt was tied to the fence rail,  
awaiting its daily exercise around the  
square.

"Eunice," said Squire Sedgick to his  
wife that afternoon, "Martin is getting  
restless again. He wants to go west."

Mrs. Sedgick clasped her hands  
nervously.

"Martin—our only son!" she cried.  
"He was just beginning to be recon-  
ciled to life on the farm, when Dora  
went away," said the Squire, de-  
jectedly. "And it was she that recon-  
ciled him. Eunice—if we could get  
Dora back again? It's as my old  
father says—she was the luck of the  
house."

Mrs. Sedgick burst into tears.

"It wasn't my fault, Jotham!" she  
said. "I always liked the child, though  
she wasn't no more like our folks than  
a corn flower is like a squash blossom.  
But she and Ellen couldn't somehow  
agree. Ellen always wanted Martin to  
marry Miss Brownlee, and she up one  
day an accused Dora of settin' her cap  
for Martin, and Dora couldn't stand  
that; and when they appealed to me,  
I'm afraid I didn't take Dora's part  
quite so strong as I might hev done."

"I knowed a woman's tongue was at  
the bottom of it all," said the Squire,  
with some bitterness. "Poor Dora!"

That night the whole Sedgick family  
were aroused by a light blaze in the  
dooryard—the old-fashioned well-  
sweep burning up. Grand-ire, in his  
flannel dressing gown and knotted  
stick, his leonine head well outlined in  
the scarlet glow, looking more Druid-  
like than ever.

"You done it o' purpose," said he,  
feebly shaking the stick at the as-  
sembled family, who were trembling  
in the doorway. "You know you did.  
First Dora, and then the old well-  
sweep. The only things I keered for  
in this world—and now they're both  
gone, an' I may as well lie down and  
die!"

"I didn't mean any harm!" hyster-  
ically sobbed poor Ellen. "I was light-  
ing a taper to seal a letter—Marian  
Brownlee always uses the new-fashion-  
ed colored wax to seal her letters—and



CHESTER county Republicans appear to be satisfied with Representative Talbot and his enormous election expense bill, having nominated him for a fourth term. Talbot has the knack of interesting his constituents and knows how to repair rickety fences. And Chester county didn't have to pay Mr. Talbot's big bill, you know!

It is announced that Senator Cameron has an eye on the Republican Presidential nomination in 1896. With his present notions of flat money had he not better train with the Populists? Years ago the business interests of the country would have trusted Cameron implicitly, but not so now. Any man who advocates the doctrine of getting something for nothing isn't fit to be President of the United States.

SOME time ago Mr. Saylor, perhaps the most prominent candidate for the Republican nomination for State Senator, announced to the public that he would abide by the decision of the nominating convention at Norristown in relation to the Cameron issue. Since then he has found the anti-Cameron sentiment in Montgomery to be formidable enough to warrant him in making a more explicit statement, which reads as follows:

"If nominated and elected State Senator from this District, I will represent my constituents in this regard, and vote against the return of Mr. Cameron to the Senate; and in every other way or particular, endeavor to faithfully and consistently carry out the wishes of the people of the country."

Where's Quay?

THE public lands in the West now unoccupied comprise an area of 589,000,000 acres, and the statement is made in Congress by Representative Pickler, of South Dakota, that two-fifths of the entire area of the United States consists of arid lands, and that upon over 600,000,000 acres of this land crops could be raised if water were supplied. Mr. Pickler has introduced a bill to provide for the appointment of a non-partisan commission of five persons to inquire into these desert lands and report upon the best practical system of irrigation. If such a scheme could be made successful, and there is much reason to believe from practical illustrations of it in Utah and California that irrigation will reclaim the waste places, it would provide a benefaction to humanity beyond estimate. In these 600,000,000 acres of arid land it is stated that a population of more than 30,000,000 persons could be sustained. Not one-half of 1 per cent. of this land has been irrigated, and the results of irrigation, as told about in the State reports, have far surpassed the predictions of its first advocates.

THE especially new features of the revenue bill which has passed both houses of Congress and is now awaiting the President's signature is the income tax. The bill provides that from and after January 1, 1895, and until January 1, 1900, every citizen of the United States, whether residing at home or abroad, and every person not a citizen residing in the United States who has an income in excess of \$4,000 a year, shall pay a tax of two per cent. upon the excess. That is, a person with an income of \$6,000 must pay a tax of two per cent. upon \$2,000, or \$40, the \$4,000 being exempt. The individual exceptions to this rule are the officials of States, counties and municipalities. This includes income from every conceivable source except the interest on United States bonds, which is not subject to Federal taxation, and the profits from corporate income upon which the tax has been paid by the corporation. All money or personal property acquired by gift or inheritance, all profits from sales of real estate purchased within two years and all net income from professional salaries or fees, as well as the profits from every kind of business in which the individual may be engaged, must be included in the sworn return made to the Collector of Internal Revenue. The only exception to this is that farmers are not compelled to make a return for the value of the farm products consumed by their own families. The net expenses of carrying on any business or profession, including interest, taxes, wages paid to employees, bad debts and other losses not compensated for by insurance or otherwise, may be deducted, but all expenditures for permanent improvements or betterments designed to increase the value of property must be included. The only incomes besides those of public officials exempt from the provisions of the law are those of States, counties and municipalities, building and loan associations, charitable, religious and educational organizations, fraternal beneficiary associations and savings institutions with no shareholders except depositors and no capital except deposits. While no one with an income of less than \$4,000 will be taxed, all persons with incomes of \$3,500 and upwards must make a return to the Collector of Internal Revenue of their respective districts, and if any person neglects to make a return or makes a fraudulent return the Collector is em-

powered to make out a return from the best information available and add fifty per cent. to the tax as a penalty for the neglect or fraud. It will be observed from this statement of the chief features of the bill that it is a drag-net intended to reach the Astors, Goulds, Vanderbilts and others who live abroad while deriving their income from American investments, as well as aliens residing in this country and reaping profit while refusing to become citizens. The amount of revenue it will produce will be an unknown quantity until the capacity of the possessors of liberal incomes for undetected perjury has been shown. No one can escape its provisions by running away from it, but it contains no guaranty against successfully lying and false swearing.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 17, 1894.—What is President Cleveland's game? Close observers have little doubt that he is playing one of some sort. A man doesn't advise his own defeat, as he did when he had his party in the House throw up the sponge and accept the Senate tariff bill which he had previously denounced as everything that was bad and vicious, without having some object in view. It has always been difficult to get at Mr. Cleveland's intentions in advance of his acts, and, notwithstanding the many positive assertions that are daily printed as to what he intends doing, I doubt whether there are three men in Washington who actually know. Quite by accident I learned that Senator Vilas, who was a member of Mr. Cleveland's cabinet in his first administration and who is supposed to be in his confidence to as great an extent as anybody is, is entirely in the dark as to what is to be done with the tariff bill, now in the President's hands.

If he would follow the wishes of nine people out of every ten to be met here there would be no doubt of his action—he would sign the bill, let Congress adjourn, and give the people a chance to see how much of a factor in the "hard times" the tariff really is. There is one curious thing about this tariff bill. The Democrats publicly defend it as a good one, and privately swear at it as a bad one, while the Republicans just reverse it by publicly abusing the bill and privately congratulating each other on getting so good a measure. Meanwhile the Sugar Trust and administration are working shoulder to shoulder to prevent the Senate passing the bill for free sugar, the only one of the House bills passed as conscience-easers that could possibly pass the Senate. Secretary Carlisle has written a letter to Senator Harris which, while not saying so in so many words, is against those bills, notwithstanding the supposition that Mr. Cleveland wants free coal and iron.

The conference of the American Bimetall League, which began here yesterday, is fairly well attended and its members seem to think that the outbreak for silver has greatly improved since their last Washington meeting. While no official action has been or will be taken there are reasons for believing that friends of Senator Cameron in the League have been quietly sounding other members to ascertain how the candidacy of Mr. Cameron for the Presidency would be received by the silver people in their States. The principal business of the conference is secret and relates to the Congressional campaign.

Speaking of Cameron, a Maryland politician made the prediction here this week that the republican national convention would adopt a plank for the free coinage of silver and would nominate Cameron, and that his democratic opponent would be Adlai Stevenson. There's no tariff on predictions; everybody is free to indulge in the luxury of making them.

If there is truth in a current rumor, Senator Voorhees may discover in the near future that consistency is a thing of value, even in politics. Mr. Voorhees has never been forgiven by many of his party colleagues for his somewhat on the financial question during the silver fight at the extra session last year, but his present trouble, if it really exists, has no direct connection with the silver question, but is all on account of the tariff. Mr. Voorhees is charged not only with having agreed to the attack made on President Cleveland by Senators Gorman, Jones, Vest, and Harris, in connection with Mr. Cleveland's letter to Chairman Wilson, but with having prepared a speech much more bitter than the one delivered by Mr. Gorman. Instead of delivering that speech Mr. Voorhees went to bed, and it was given out that he was very ill. Later, he gave out an authorized interview, taking sides with Mr. Cleveland and advocating the surrender of the Senate and the acceptance of the Wilson bill. Had he changed to the winning side, as he did in the silver fight, nothing would have come of his action, but he flopped to the losing side, and now it is stated that the men he deserted are going to humiliate him by depriving him of the Chairmanship of the Finance committee, generally regarded as the best place in the Senate.

Senator Vest eased his mind this week by making a somewhat embittered speech in defense of the Senate and in favor of passing a bill before adjournment repealing the duty on refined sugar, in order to clear the Senate of the charge of being under the control of the sugar trust. He also gave President Cleveland and Senator Hill a rap or two over the knuckles. His indignation came too late, however, to do any good, as the absence of a quorum would prevent the Senate doing anything, even if other reasons did not exist.

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Meal and Flour.

From the New York Mercury.

Corn meal sold in St. Louis last week for \$3 a barrel and the best wheat flour for \$2.75. The oldest inhabitant says this is the first time he ever knew meal to fetch more than flour.

Have Lived Together 63 Years.

RICHMOND, New Jersey, August 19.—Thomas Bunning, a wealthy resident of this place, has just passed his eighty-sixth birthday. His wife is only four months his junior and they have lived happily together for sixty-three years. They have four daughters, one married a Scotchman, one an Englishman, one an Irishman and one an American.

Abe Buzzard Indicted.

LANCASTER, August 21.—The grand jury this afternoon returned twenty-two bills of indictment against Abe Buzzard, the notorious "king" of the Welsh Mountain outlaws, who, after serving a long term in the Eastern Penitentiary, was pardoned two years ago. The charges made in the indictments are numerous, and range from larceny to felonious assault and battery. Eight others of the Welsh Mountain gang have also been indicted.

Gorman's Change of Base.

From the Detroit Free Press.

Just four years ago, in an elaborate set speech against the McKinley bill, Senator Gorman occupied two days with giving in full his reasons for claiming that iron should be placed on the free list, and right good reasons they were. His change of heart was never known, even to himself, until he became mixed up with "The Senators from Havemeyer."

A Small Railway.

From the Montreal Star.

The smallest railway in the world is in East Frisia. Its entire length is only five miles and the breadth only two and a half feet. It employs one guard, one engine driver, one fireman and one plate-layer. The sum £10s. is paid in wages every week. Two engines, three carriages and four trucks and a couple of vans complete the rolling stock. The engine and tender together only weigh seven tons. The fares are in proportion to the size of the company and average 3½d. all the way.

Voters Should Think.

From the Kansas City Times.

The voter is an unthinking fellow. The cry of turn the rascals out may attract his attention to such an engaging extent that he doesn't think of how many rascals may get in while he is voting the rascals out. This is a question with two sides to it, and the American voters should carefully observe both sides before he goes to the ballot-box and votes one set of men out of office and another set in. If these should be rascals in office to be voted out, the voter should see to it that the way for other rascals to get in is made much harder.

Thirty-Two Horses Incinerated.

OCEAN GROVE, August 20.—The large livery and boarding stables of M. E. Sexton, on South Main street, were burned to the ground at midnight last Saturday night. It was the largest fire ever known in Ocean Grove's twenty-five years' history. Besides the loss of the liveryman himself in harness and feed there were sixty wagons and thirty-two horses burned. The wildest excitement prevailed in the western part of the Grove. Women ran out of the tents and cottages in their night dresses. Furniture was heaped in the streets. The three dwellings that caught fire were saved.

Rapid Transit to Australia.

From the Pall Mall Budget.

I hear that a respectable north country merchant has invented a means for getting to Australia in twelve hours—a means so simple that I fancy it must have occurred to a good many people already. Everyone knows that the world spins round on its axis once in twenty-four hours. Whence it is clear that if you hang yourself up somewhere and wait in twelve hours Australia will be under your feet and you will only have to step down in order to be comfortably there. The good merchant proposes to send passengers up in a well-appointed balloon, where they will wait until Australia comes round. It is an admirable scheme.

Voting Laws.

Two general city elections have been held in Kansas City since a charter was adopted which contained a provision imposing a poll tax of \$2.50 on every male citizen over twenty-one years old, the same to be remitted if he voted at the general election. No attention was paid to the provision and nearly \$100,000 stands on the books against citizens who failed to vote. In a test case on the constitutionality of the law, Judge Gibson lately decided it valid, and that every tax could be collected with interest and costs. In Mississippi a contrary law prevails. No person is allowed to vote unless he has first paid a tax. The object is to prevent negroes from voting, and the law is a great success in that respect.

The Wedding of the Future.

From the Aitchison Globe.

Here's a sample of a wedding notice ten years hence, as foreseen by the Globe: "The bride looked very well in a traveling dress, but all eyes were centered on the groom. He wore a dark suit that fitted perfectly his manly form, a large bouquet decorated his coat lapel and in his daintily gloved hand he carried a bouquet of American beauties. His hair was cut close and a delicate odor of barbers' floated down the aisle as he passed. The young people will miss him now that he is married. He is loved by all for his many accomplishments, his tender graces and his winning ways. The bride commands a good salary as a book-keeper in St. Joseph and the groom will miss none of the luxuries to which he had been accustomed. A crowd of pretty young men saw them off at the depot."

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Cost of War and Education.

There is no better proof, says the Journal of Education, of the essential barbarism of even the most civilized nations of the world than is afforded by a comparison of the money they expend for the maintenance of physical supremacy as against the expenditure for mental improvement. Though it be assumed that brain is better than brawn, there is no evidence that statesmen so regard it. In some tables recently compiled, the amount per capita expended by various governments for military and educational purposes is set down as follows:

	Military.	Education.
France.....	\$4.00	\$0.70
England.....	3.72	.62
Holland.....	3.58	.64
Saxony.....	2.88	.58
Württemberg.....	2.38	.38
Bavaria.....	2.38	.40
Prussia.....	2.04	.50
Russia.....	1.04	.30
Italy.....	1.52	.36
Denmark.....	1.76	.94
Belgium.....	1.38	.46
Austria.....	1.36	.32
Switzerland.....	.82	.84
United States.....	.30	1.35

Definition of Pretext.

From Texas Siftings.

A few evenings ago a little boy was busily engaged at his lessons. His father, one of the leading citizens of Dallas, had gone to the lodge, and his mother was busy sewing. The little boy looked up and asked: "Mamma, what does the word 'pretext' mean?"

"When your father says he has to go to the lodge two or three times a week, that is a pretext to get away from his family."

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Thursday, Aug. 23, 1894.

### HOME AND ABROAD.

#### TOWN AND COUNTRY.

—She does not hear the cable car which goes with speed intense; She cares not for the trolley wire whose voltage is immense. The old excursion steamer brings no terror to her brow. But when she's in the country she will run across acres of ground and climb barb-wire fences to escape the affable though inquisitive gaze of an aged, docile cow.

—Washington Star.

—That's a comparison!

—We all make comparisons, not always of the complimentary kind.

—The Every Night Club is a "hummer" in the role of making comparisons.

—And whenever the bell rings somebody gets a whack!

—A store box may not be "out of sight" as a platform, but it will do well enough to sit on.

—Even a little discomfort can be put up with if the gossip is interesting enough. See?

—You will be benefited by glancing at Young's Spring City advertisement, this week.

—If free board and lodging would make some fellows sneeze they would sneeze their valuable (?) lives away.

—What will the politicians do in heaven? Is one of the latest questions pressing heavily for a solution. Perhaps it will be time enough to find out when they get there!

—The public schools of this (Independent) district will open next Monday morning, with all the old teachers in place.

—Deductive.—Johnny: "Is a man born in Poland a Pole?" His Father: "Yes, my son." Johnny: "Well, then, is a man born in Holland a Pole?" Truth.

—The Allentown Item published the fact that Richard Walker, of Catasauqua, has three spring chickens, each supplied with five toes.

—The recording angel will have to open a new set of books on the debit side when the income tax goes into effect.—Detroit News-Tribune.

—The Treasurer of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Montgomery county notifies the members that a contribution was levied on August 17th of \$1.00 on each \$1000 of ordinary risks, and the rates fixed on hazardous, see adver.

—The Montgomery and Chester County Commissioners offer the dwelling at the west end of the Phoenixville bridge free to a careful person who will "look after the bridge." Here's an opportunity.

—Upper Providence is not great in all things but it appears too much for Spring City in some things.

—What a perfectly lovely thing it would be, how the world would fill with light, if the "Heavenly Twins" would sail away on "Ships That Pass in the Night."—New York Herald.

—The Chinese Emperor styles himself "the son of heaven." If he will give the Japs a chance they will send him home.—Kansas City Times.

—Milton P. Detwiler and Augustus R. Redcap, of Pottstown, have made an assignment for the benefit of creditors to Abraham Hendricks, Esq., of that place.

—In France they treat fruit bushes to doses of electricity. They claim that it improves the currants.—Minneapolis Times.

—The young man on his way home from courting who took unbidden possession of a barn to escape a "ducking" knows enough to "get in out of the wet when it rains."

—He'll make a knowing husband, some day.

—Boss carpenter Daniel Buckwalter is putting the finishing touches on neighbor Saylor's very attractive new house.

—When a single young man rents a house it may readily be guessed that there is a partner somewhere on the way.

—Since the bard of the Level wears a Grecian-colored hat some of his observations are put in italics.

—If this town doesn't afford a national champion at the game of croquet, by and by, it won't be the fault of neighbors David and Koons.

### RELIGIOUS.

M. E. church, Evansburg. Sabbath school at 9.30 a. m., every Sabbath. Preaching, 10.45 a. m., and every Sabbath evening at 7.30.

Episcopal service at St. James' Evansburg every Sunday at 10.30 a. m., Sunday School, 2 p. m. Also a service at Roversford at 7.15 p. m. Rev. A. J. Barrow, Rector.

Divine service at the church (Episcopal) at Wetherill corners, near Shamonsville, during the summer at 10.30 in the morning; in the afternoon at 3.30 at St. Paul's Memorial near Oaks. All welcome. Benjamin F. Douglass, Rector.

Services at the Evangelical churches of the Trappe circuit, next Sunday, as follows: Schwenclose, 10 a. m.; Trappe, 2.30 p. m.; Limerick, 8 p. m.

The annual Harvest Home festival will be held at St. Luke's Reformed church, Trappe, Pa., on Sunday at 10 a. m. Elaborate decorations and special music with an address adapted to the special service will be the features of interest. The last sermon in the illustrated series will be delivered on Sunday evening by the pastor. Special music. All are invited; all welcome. Come and bring your friends.

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### Garden Party.

The Lutheran church choir will give a Garden Party at Washington Hall, Trappe, on Saturday, September 1. Proceeds for the benefit of the church. All cordially invited.

### Highland Literary Society.

A regular meeting of the Highland Literary Society of Lower Providence will be held next Wednesday evening, August 23, exercises to begin promptly at 8 o'clock.

### Death Caused by Sunstroke.

The wife of Matthias Wiedner, of Pine Iron Works, near Pottstown, was sunstruck Wednesday while digging potatoes for dinner, and died the same evening. She was 35 years of age.

### Not a Candidate.

Burgess Addison Eppelheimer, of Roversford, has published positive denial of the report current last week that he is a candidate for the nomination of State Senator on the Republican ticket.

### L. T. L. Picnic.

The Loyal Trenchmen Legion of Montgomery County will hold a union picnic at Zieher's Park on Thursday, August 30. The Legion of this place will be conveyed in wagons to the Park.

### Shoulder Dislocated.

Recently Miss Lizzie Denner, residing at Mr. D. M. Casselberry's place, slipped and fell, while engaged in the spring house, and dislocated her right shoulder. The injury is recovering from the injury under the care of Dr. M. Y. Weber.

### Removed to Philadelphia.

Edward Kass, who was a resident of Trappe for a year or more past, removed with his family and household effects to Philadelphia, last Thursday. The superb teams of James McGinnis, of Norristown, did the hauling.

### A Camp Organized.

A camp of Sons of Veterans was organized at Roversford last Friday evening, with seventy-five charter members, by Senior Vice Division Commander William H. Hays. The camp will be mustered into the division in about two weeks.

### An Improvement.

Proprietor Shepard, of Perkiomen Bridge Hotel, is about to erect a large cattle shed for the convenience of cattle dealers. The new structure will afford stable room for 48 cows and the space needed to hold a public sale under cover during periods of inclement weather.

### Will Picnic at Zieher's Park.

The annual picnic of the Augustus Lutheran School, Trappe, will be held on Saturday next at Zieher's Park. All friends of the school are cordially invited to go along with us and spend an enjoyable time. Dinner for all. The school is expected to leave the church at 7.30 a. m.

### A Large Funeral.

The funeral of Mrs. David Reiner, of Lower Providence, last Thursday, was attended by a large concourse of relatives and friends. The religious services at Trinity church were conducted by Rev. G. W. Stibitz, Ph. D., assisted by Rev. Charles Wehler, of Manheim, Pa.

### Well Attended.

The peach festival and picnic under the auspices of St. James' Sunday School, Evansburg, in the grove of the church, last Saturday afternoon and evening, was well attended and a snug sum for the treasury of the School was realized. The Eagleville Band discoursed good music.

### A History of Anti-Slavery.

Dr. Hiram Corson, of Plymouth Meeting, is preparing for publication a history of anti-slavery in Montgomery county. Considering that the doctor is approaching closely to the nineteenth mile stone of a long and eventful life journey, this literary work, or any, at his age, is certainly remarkable.

### Cheap Excursion to Atlantic City.

The Perkiomen Railroad will run an excursion to Atlantic City on Sunday, August 26. Fare for round trip only \$2.00. Train will leave Collegeville at 7.00, and returning leave Atlantic City at 6 p. m. Eight hours at the seashore. The last of the season; don't miss it.

### Numerous Trains.

The Reading is now running 346 trains in and out of the Philadelphia Terminal station daily—a number that at certain hours seriously taxes the capacity of the big station. The busiest hour in the morning is between eight and nine o'clock, when nineteen trains arrive, and in the afternoon between five and six o'clock, when twenty trains go out.

### Fell Into a Well.

While Mrs. William Weingartner, of Ardmore, was trying to draw a kettle containing butter from a twenty foot well last Saturday she lost her balance and fell head-first to the bottom. The water in the morning is big. She might have been drowned, however, had she not had sufficient presence of mind to grasp the rope upon which the kettle was suspended and kept her head above water until her cries for help reached the ears of a neighbor, who rescued her.

### At Sanatoga Park.

Last Saturday the Trinity Reformed Sunday School, of this place, held a picnic at Sanatoga Park. The scholars, teachers and friends of the Sunday School met on the church grounds and promptly at 8 o'clock started off in teams for the Park. About twelve o'clock a sumptuous repast was served in the pavilion to which every one present was welcomed. So far as we have heard everybody was well pleased with the day's outing and by many it is said to have been the most successful picnic held for many years.

### A Million Friends.

A friend in need is a friend indeed, and not less than one million people have found just such a friend in Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. If you have never used this Great Cough Medicine, one trial will convince you that it has wonderful curative powers in all diseases of throat, chest and lungs. Each bottle is guaranteed to do all that is claimed or money will be refunded. Trial bottles free at J. W. Culbert's Drug Store. Large bottles 50c. and \$1.00.

### Philadelphia Markets.

Winter bran, \$16.00 @ \$17.00; flour, \$2.40 to \$3.75; rye flour, \$2.90; wheat, 55 to 57½c; corn, 63c; oats, 36½c; butter, 22 to 28c; lard, 10½ to 11c; dressed fowls, 10 @ 10½; Timothy hay 65c to 70c; mixed, 55c @ 65c; straw, 55 @ 60c; beef cattle, 2½ to 5c; sheep, 1 to 4c; lambs, 2½ to 4c; hogs, western, 8 to 8½c.

### Baptism and Feet-washing.

Last Sunday was the big day at the Mennonite camp meeting in Egolf's Grove, Roversford, and it is estimated that fully 5,000 people attended the service during the day. The heat did not affect the ardor of the worshippers. The chief event of the day was the celebration of the Lord's Supper and feet-washing, which was participated in by many people.

### An Extensive Haul.

Last Thursday night the Farmers' Hotel, of Norristown, Samuel Messer, proprietor, was robbed of \$500 in cash, and \$100 worth of jewelry. During the absence of Mrs. Messer from the hotel the thief entered it and stole the money and articles. A peculiar feature of the robbery was that all the drawers were looked and were opened with skeleton keys.

### Peirce School's Opening.

Peirce School, in the Record Building, 917 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, will begin its fall and winter term on Monday, September 3. As is well known, this is a high grade school which compels a good English education with a systematic business training, affording a complete equipment for a mercantile, commercial or financial career. It is open to both sexes. It gave instruction last year to over 1300 students. Make application now.

### Augustus Lutheran Church.

The pastor of Augustus Lutheran church of Trappe—the Rev. E. T. Kretschmann, Ph. D., has been recuperating for several weeks in the hills of Enfield, New Hampshire. He returns home this week and will be present at the annual picnic of his Sunday School to be held next Saturday. He will occupy the pulpit on next Sunday at the regular hour of service. Dr. Kretschmann will be glad to see all the members in their places, so that the work of the church may be renewed for the fall in every department.

### Death of D. B. Hartranft.

Major D. B. Hartranft died in Norristown, Friday. His death was due to paralysis. Major Hartranft came to Norristown from Pottstown, and leased the Hartranft House, which he managed a number of years. He was for a long time an active Democratic politician and was the nominee for Sheriff against E. S. Stahlacker, by whom he was defeated. At the opening of the Citizens Passenger Railway he was made superintendent, which position he filled for some months. He was 58 years old, and leaves a widow and four children.

### Flowers and Flowers.

Mrs. Joseph P. Moore, of near Eagleville, has as fine collection of growing flowers and plants as can be found for miles around—outside of greenhouses. The specimens of Comet Asters (the lady has between 50 and 75 plants, each with from 5 to 8 flowers) of every color and measuring from 8 to 10 inches in circumference as well as the flowers of the Morning Bride, Sweet Peas and Flowering Maple varieties, recently received from the lady, were very much appreciated by the scribe and the folks at home.

### Terribly Burned.

William Delvin, a laborer in the Phoenix Iron Company steel plant, met with a fearful accident on Thursday night. He was helping to land a red hot ingot weighing about five thousand pounds, when his tongs slipped. He jumped backward, but tripped over a chain, and the large block of red hot metal fell on his left leg and remained there three minutes before it could be removed. His leg, below the knee, was practically burned away, and the amputation was completed by the physicians at the Stratford Castle Hospital.

### The Turf.

About 1,000 persons attended the races at the opening of the new Lake-side Driving Park at Roversford, Saturday afternoon. Each race afforded excitement, and the time made, considering the condition of the track, was remarkable. M. P. Anderson's Star Chief won a decisive victory over the blooded stock from Spring City. Summaries:

2.45 CLASS. (Anderson) 1 1 Chief, b. g. (Latshaw) 2 2 Fred, b. g. (Latshaw) 3 3 Time, 2:45½, 3:44.

3-MINUTE CLASS. (Case) 1 2 1 Ben, b. g. (Mowrey) 3 3 2 Jessie D, b. m. (Mowrey) 3 3 3 Time, 3:06½, 3:07½, 3:07½.

3.15 CLASS. (G. Fry) 5 4 2 1 1 Dicks, b. g. (Dahb) 4 2 1 2 2 J. L. C. b. g. (Case) 3 3 3 3 3 Josie, b. g. (Case) 3 3 3 3 3 Marshall, b. g. (John Fry) 2 1 4 dr Jesse James, b. g. (Frederick) 3 3 5 dr Dan, b. g. (Frederick) 3 3 5 dr Time, 3:11½, 3:03½, 3:07, 3:20.

Tuesday forenoon there was a special race at the Collegeville Driving Park between Charles Smith's blk. g. and M. Barndt's blk. m., all of Grater's Ford. Keen interest was taken in the event by a score of persons from Grater's Ford and vicinity. M. Barndt's pacer won the race in two straight heats. Time, 3:15 and 3:08.

R. P. Baldwin, Lower Providence, is about to put his track in excellent condition, partly for the benefit of his pacer Lady Anenior. From reports to hand we judge the Lady is about ready to do fast work, and ere long there is going to be a pretty good race on the level. If the Lady's competitors can even manage to reach the quarter pole coming home they will deserve an extra pat on the neck.

### Some time next month the fall meeting of trotters and pacers will be held at the Collegeville Driving Park. In the meantime the track will be still further improved.

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### Getting Even.

Twenty years ago in Sunbury, this State, a young man named Terrill fell in love with a pretty girl and they became engaged to be married. The day was set, but when it arrived the pretty girl without notice jilted her affianced and married a man named Lochart. A few weeks ago Terrill, who had never married, met his sweetheart, now a widow. He again courted her, the wedding day was set, but when the day arrived the bridegroom came not. It was evidently his method of getting even.

### Trolley News.

The management of the Pottstown Passenger Railway Company is making active preparations to extend their line to Roversford, via Linfield. A corps of engineers surveyed the route last week. The length of the road will be about five and a half miles. The extension will likely be made this fall. It is furthermore reported upon what may be reasonably deemed excellent authority that it is the purpose of the Shepp Brothers, who are the leading factors in the main trolley road of Norristown, by way of this place, to extend their line to Roversford, via Linfield. They have visited this section last year to the "lay of the land," prospects of patronage, etc. It is understood that he was very favorably impressed and that it is probable that the much looked and hoped for trolley road will be constructed as soon as the necessary preliminary arrangements can be effected.

### Straw Rides.

The delightful weather and moonlight evenings of the past week seemed to have inspired the young folks all over this part of the country to straw rides and evening parties. Last Thursday evening a number of the young ladies and gentlemen of the Level along with their friends from Collegeville were conveyed to the Weldon House, Ziegler'sville, in Mr. N. R. Wanner's large hay wagon. Mr. R. P. Baldwin acted as chaperon to this merry party. On the way no less than five different parties passed and saluted each other with dinner bells and horns, to say nothing of "yells" and "cheers." The evening ended delightfully spent the young folks returned to their respective homes at an early hour.

### On Saturday evening Mr. Gilliam

Clamer entertained a number of his friends with a straw ride, also to the Weldon House. A supper served and from general reports the affair was in every way a success.

### Obituary.

Amanda A., wife of George B. Schlottter, and daughter of Hannah and Philip Kriebel, died at her home at Ironbridge, this county, on Monday evening, the 20th inst., at 7½ o'clock. The main cause of the death of Mrs. Schlottter was cancer, from which she had at times been a very great sufferer during the last thirteen years. The deceased was a very worthy woman, and bore her great weight of sure and long-continued affliction with commendable fortitude and good cheer. A husband, two little sons, an aged mother and others, deeply mourn her death. Her funeral will be held on Sunday, to meet at the house at 12 o'clock noon; interment in the Creamery Mennonite Cemetery, Skipkapp. Pastor Hendricks will have charge of the funeral services.

The funeral will be held on Sunday morning for the reason that many of the employees of the Perkiomen R. R. can attend the same out of sympathy and respect for Mr. Schlottter, who has for a long time been in the service of the said Company, the hour having been fixed at 12 o'clock noon so as not to interfere with the attendance of the church-going people at their respective places of public worship in the forenoon of said day.

### FROM LIMERICK.

Mr. B. F. Rambo and wife, and Abram Walt and wife were recent visitors to the famous Gettysburg Battlefield.

Mr. Evan B. Lewis, a member of the Philadelphia Bar is visiting his mother in this place.

Mr. Wm. Hoffman spent Sunday in Chester County.

The funeral of an infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gottshall took place on Sunday afternoon, interment at Mingo Brethren burying ground.

A large crowd of people witnessed the opening of The Lake Driving Park on Saturday last. Lovers of equine speed were present from Chester and Montgomery Counties. Our genial friend and neighbor Mr. B. F. Garber is manager of the Park.

Misses Elma Rambo of Linfield and Lillian Johnson were sojourning several days of last week at Atlantic City.

The financial crisis seems to be but little felt when 20,000 people, daily visitors excluded, are occupying Atlantic City and the cry is "still they come!" And this is only one of the many resorts in this country.

The camp meeting held in Spring City closed on Monday last. The services were well attended. Speakers were present from different parts of Pennsylvania, and also from Canada.

Mr. D. B. Daub visited his mother on Sunday last.

Misses Bauer, Johnson and Rambo spent Saturday at Lincoln Park.

Postmaster A. R. Saylor of Roversford together with a party from Salem, N. J. have gone to Delaware Bay on a fishing tour.

Monday August 27 the schools of Roversford and Spring City open for another term.

Prof. I. N. Urner of Parkersford has returned from a three months' trip to Europe.

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### PERSONAL.

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Mr. A. B. Sloat and wife, of Philadelphia are visiting relatives and friends in this locality.

Miss Edith Gayner, of Norristown was the guest of the scribe's family last week.

Messrs. Horace and Fred Paist, of Philadelphia, are visiting Mr. James Paist and family.

Mr. Forrest Cressman, of Summerville, visited friends in Collegeville last week. Mr. Cressman is a student at the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, and shows remarkable talent for the study which he has undertaken.

Miss Carrie Shieber, stenographer at Ursinus College, has returned from her home in Bridgeton, N. J., where she has been spending her vacation.

Mrs. Irwin Stierly and daughter, of Philadelphia, visited relatives here on Monday.

A. J. Schissler, M. A., President of Schissler Business Colleges, was in town Saturday.

Prof. N. H. McGuire, a prominent educator of Philadelphia, is again enjoying a brief summer vacation at Gross' Collegeville Hotel. Though advanced in years he presents the same attractive stateliness and robustness of physique as ever. The Professor is in his twenty-fifth year as the honored principal of the Hovea-Bruny School. Previously he served eight years as principal of the Philadelphia High School, and for a period of twelve years was identified with the private school work of the Quaker city.

### FROM OAKS.

There is very little that is brand new in the line of news about Oaks, not any thing presenting itself that could be created into a sensational newspaper item.

The New City does not materialize very rapidly, though it is conceded it will be seeded, even if the parties have not succeeded from their original plans of proceeding.

Some of the boys who work in the Perkiomen Brick Company's yard were discharged for being intoxicated and being absent from work.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Taylor and children took their yearly pilgrimage to Old Virginia to visit friends and home.

Mrs. George Scott left Saturday last to visit friends in Hagarstown, Middletown, Maryland.

School Director Griffin has been fixing up the grounds and buildings of the Green Tree school ready for the school children, as school will begin September 3.

Miss Sallie Dettre is home for a week visiting her parents.

The Harvest Home meeting at Green Tree was largely attended and a very able discourse was delivered by Mr. Swigart, Professor of Exegesis of the Brethren's school at Huntingdon, Pa.

Neal Briley shot himself in the left hand, the cause of which he did not know it was loaded or a good bit of carelessness. And Charles Bechtel, of Port Providence, had his arm broken by a rail breaking and precipitating him to the ground.

The Oaks barber should have benches for the accommodation of his friends.

Supervisor Hallman has a large force of men and teams repairing the main road between this place and Port Providence. Eighteen two-horse teams were hauling gravel Monday last. A proposition has been made that everybody turn out in the township with their teams and give one day's work, free gratis—for nothing, with the exception of a good dinner to be given by the township. So rally round the good dinner, or no dinner; it's a good idea, and one way to get around this vexed road question; perhaps it will bring the State Government in. Mr. Hallman has done some very good work, but the effort to treat all alike and to do justice to so many miles of road is a gigantic one and can't be done in a day.

The attention of the superintendent of the sidewalk between Oaks and Green Tree might be called to the many weeds overgrown it. School will begin pretty soon.

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